



October 19, 2016

Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess
Secretary
New York State Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12223-1350

Re: Case 16-G-0257 –Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corp. for Gas Service.

NOTICE OF IMPENDING CONFIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS

Dear Secretary Burgess:

Pursuant to 16 NYCRR § 3.9(a) of the Commission’s Rules and Regulations, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation (“Distribution” or “Company”) hereby submits this Notice of Impending Confidential Settlement Negotiations in the above-referenced proceeding. On April 28, 2016, the Company filed amendments to its new tariff schedule, P.S.C. No. 9 – Gas, which would amend gas delivery rates and supersede Distribution’s current tariff schedule, P.S.C. No. 8 - Gas. The Commission instituted this proceeding to review the propriety of the rates, charges, rules, and regulations contained in the amendments to Schedule P.S.C. No. 9, and the Commission has suspended the effective date of such amendments.

Settlement discussions may include all matters regarding the proposed rates for gas service and other issues raised by the Company in its filing, or by other parties during the course of this proceeding, including but not limited to pipeline modernization, low-income programs, revenue, expenses, depreciation, rate base, deferrals, rate of return and financial issues, system expansion, revenue decoupling, earnings sharing and rate design. Pursuant to 16 NYCRR § 3.9(d), all parties participating in these settlement discussions shall hold confidential all discussions, admissions, concessions and offers to settle made or offered during settlement discussions. These confidential settlement discussions may result in the settlement of some or all of the issues raised by some or all of the parties to this proceeding.

An initial meeting to discuss possible settlement of the Company’s filing will be held in the 3rd Floor Hearing Room of the Commission’s Offices located at Agency Building No. 3, Empire State Plaza, Albany NY on Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at 10:00 AM. Parties may participate in the settlement negotiations either in person or via teleconference. Parties wishing to participate via teleconference will be provided the call-in number and participant code prior to the meeting.

As required by 16 NYCRR § 3.9(a)(iii), I certify that I am notifying the presiding officer in this proceedings and all parties currently listed in the Commission's DMM system in Case 16-G-0257 and all parties on the party list for Case 13-G-0136 of the pendency of negotiations in a manner that permits reasonable time for preparation. A copy of such party lists is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joseph N. Del Vecchio". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Joseph N. Del Vecchio
Vice President and Chief Regulatory Counsel

cc: Hon. Dakin Lecakes (via electronic mail)
All Parties in Cases 16-G-0257 and 13-G-0136 (via electronic mail)

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- Matter Master: 13-00657/13-G-0136

Matter Number:	13-00657	Case Number:	13-G-0136
Industry Affected:	Gas	Company/Organization:	New York State Department of Public Service
Matter Type:	Commission Instituted New Case Proceeding	Matter Subtype:	NEW Case Proceeding: Nonrate
Title of Matter/Case:	Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Expand	Related Matter/Case No:	14-01074 , 07-G-0141

Filed Documents (192)	Public Comments (3)	Party List (21)	Calendar (5)
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Matter Type:	Tariff	Matter Subtype:	Major rate
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